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Is It Worth Your While?

Or shall you wait until you are forced to and then make the best of what comes? What are you talking about? The Thrift habit, or spending a little less than what you earn and taking care of the surplus where it is ready for use when you need it. If you have noticed the reports of how the English, French and Germans have raised the money necessary to pay the expenses of the big war, you will get an idea of the benefits of a nation that has been saving for years and one who has not been saving for years.

The Wa-Keeney State Bank

Wa-Keeney, Kansas

HERE IS A REASON

The selection of your bride means not only a most important step in your own life but a beginning of a new life to your bride. Hence her desire to commemorate the event with the beautiful and the everlasting. Be a good fellow and

GIVE HER A DIAMOND

The kind that she'll be proud to wear and proud to hand it over to your children.

I have such diamonds for sale today and will be glad to show them to you. Prices \$10 and up.

A. S. TREGER, Wa-Keeney, Kansas

The ladies of the Good Will society were entertained at the home of Mrs. W. N. Larrabee Wednesday afternoon. At the close of the session Mrs. Larrabee served delicious chicken pie to her guests and it was very much enjoyed by them.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church will give their annual praise service with lantern slides on the Philippines at the church next Sunday evening, February 25th beginning at 7:30. All are invited.

MOTHER TAKEN SUDDENLY.

Notwithstanding the fact that we all know death will soon or late separate us from our friends and loved ones, yet death is always sad and especially so when the mother is taken and little children are left without her care. This fact makes the death of Mrs. Frank Lister, which occurred Wednesday morning, February 21, doubly sad as there are three little children left who will greatly miss their mother's love. For several months Mrs. Lister had been in poor health but was able to be around and attend to her household duties, but the last few days preceding her death she had not been as well but was not in an apparent dangerous condition. Death came while she was lying on a couch with her baby, and was the result of heart disease.

Her maiden name was Bertha Pearl Russell and she was born at Kearney, Nebraska, July 22, 1891. On January 23, 1908, she was united in marriage with Frank M. Lister at Harrisville, Mo., and to them three children, one boy and two girls, were born. These little children, their father, four sisters and one brother survive the deceased and to them is sincerely extended the sympathy of the entire community. The funeral services were conducted from the Presbyterian church Friday at 10 o'clock by the Rev. Allison and the body laid to rest in Wa-Keeney Cemetery.

Mr. Lister informs us that he will take the children to the home of his brother at Wamego where they will make their home until such time as he can properly care for them.

Mr. and Mrs. Olson, of Russell were here a few days this week looking for a farm in this county which they could rent. They found suitable places very scarce.

The basket ball team from the Quinter High School came down Thursday and in the evening played a game with the T. C. H. S. team at the school auditorium which resulted in a score of 50 to 28 in favor of the Trego boys.

TREGO COUNTY OIL AND GAS CO.

The Trego County Oil and Gas Company with a capitalization of \$35,000 is the latest corporation to be granted a charter to do business in Trego county. The charter was recently granted by the state charter board and the members of the company are business men and farmers of Trego county.

The object of the company is practically indicated by its name but the name does not state that the business is to be done in Trego county. It is the intention of the promoters of this company to secure the services of the state geologist and to have him make a thorough examination of the land of the county to ascertain if it will be advisable to drill for gas or oil at any particular location and if he should report favorable a drilling outfit will be gotten into action as soon as possible and several test holes will be put down. There are those in this county who have had experience in oil prospecting and they are of the opinion that both oil and gas can be found in the rough land in the south part of the county in paying quantities. The new company has secured leases and promise of leases on several thousand acres of land in this county and if either gas or oil is found it will be able to control a large amount of profitable holdings. The certificates of stock are being issued and about \$9,000 of the capital stock is paid up. The balance is being sold at \$100 per share.

There are those who are confident that oil and gas will be found and they see visions of immense wealth, a rapidly increasing population and derricks erected all over the county while others can see a return of the gold fever excitement of 1895 when the banks of the Smoky in this county were dotted with claim stakes, prospecting miners and visions of wealth but which proved to be only a large soap bubble with its beautiful varying colors of promised gayety and ease but which ended in bursted hopes and disappointments. However, here's hoping that for the good of the county and satisfaction of the promoters that oil and gas in large quantities will be found and if so that proper credit will also be given to those who promoted the new company and found the hidden wealth.

The officers and directors of The Trego County Oil and Gas Company are: Jos. E. Evans, president; F. B. Acre, vice-president; G. L. Hays, secretary-treasurer; W. J. Williams, general manager; J. F. Jones, E. H. Hillman, John F. Walsh, L. W. Purinton and W. L. Caston.

OBITUARY—FRANCIS BAIRD

Francis Baird was born November 20, 1843, and died at the home of his son, C. C. Baird, at Wa-Keeney, Kansas, February 21, 1917, aged 80 years, 3 months and 1 day.

Mr. Baird was born in Licking county, Ohio, where he grew to manhood and lived for a number of years. In 1861 he was united in marriage with Miss Almira Alward at Pickaway, Ohio, and to them were born six children, four sons and two daughters, four of whom are now living. In 1869 he moved his family to Marshall county, Kansas, where he made his home until the death of his wife about four years ago. In 1900, Mr. Baird and his son became interested in Trego county and purchased land three miles north of this city and in 1901 his son C. C. Baird moved here and has since had charge of the property. Since the death of his wife, Francis Baird has made his home with his son in this county and has spent the greater part of his time here and at the old home at Irving, Kansas. He was a member of the Christian church, a Mason in good standing and a quiet unassuming gentleman who attended strictly to his own affairs, but had a pleasant look or a smile for all those with whom he became acquainted and is highly honored and respected by them. He had been in enfeebled health for some time on account of his age but the immediate cause of his death was heart trouble. The body was shipped to Irving, Kansas, Thursday night where it was buried in the cemetery at that place by the side of his wife who had so long been his companion in life. The funeral services were conducted at 10 o'clock a. m. Mr. Baird had passed the four score years of life and had finished a busy and useful career but his death comes as a sad blow to the surviving children to whom is extended the sincere sympathy of a large circle of friends. L. C. Baird, a son, of Palaskola, Ohio, and Mrs. H. C. Horland, a daughter of Frankfort, Kansas, were at the home of their brother, C. C. Baird, at the time of their father's death.

MARGARET SWIGGETT

Bonded Abstracter

Insurance

Farm Loans

Wa-Keeney, Kansas

(Register of Deeds of Trego County Eight Consecutive Years)

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The Grip of Evil

EVERY MONDAY

EPISODE NO. 8

"IN BOHEMIA"

Is printed in this issue of this newspaper. READ IT. Then SEE IT Monday at the Picture Show. Our Monday show consists of four reels. Two reels of the Grip of Evil, one each of Pathe News and Comedy.

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GARDEN THEATER

FLOUR, FEED and COAL

The Trego County Co-Operative Association is now prepared to supply your needs in the line of Flour, Feed and Coal at the Wa-Keeney elevator. A supply of Flour, Bran, Shorts, Chop, Corn and Oats and the best of Coal always on hand.

Co-Operative With Us and We
Will Co-Operative With You

TREGO COUNTY
Co-Operative Assoc.

NEW FOUNTAIN TURNIP

Just now our friend Senator W. H. Thompson, of Kansas, is sending out circular letters notifying his constituents that he has been allotted a certain number of agricultural periodicals and an equal number of packages of garden seeds which he is going to send out to his friends in this state. Of course they will be sent out under the senators franking privilege and will receive about as much consideration as is generally given to these contributions of old seeds given away annually for the sake of spending a little of the large income received by the government. However, there seems to be one of these packages of seeds which is of an entirely new plant, that of the fountain turnip. This turnip is promising to be of special value to the farmers of the semi-arid regions of the United States, especially on dry seasons. It seems that dry weather has but little effect on the growth of this turnip and it obtains an enormous size. When the farmer gets short of water for his stock or for irrigating purposes, all that he has to do is to go out with his hatchet or spade and dig the center out of a number of these turnips. The cavity immediately fills with water, hence the name "Fountain Turnip." The part which is dug out is not wasted for it may be used either as a fertilizer or as food for the hogs. If a package of seeds of this turnip is not in the par-

cel you receive from the senator, write to him and if the number allotted to him is not exhausted he will gladly send one to you.

For Sale—My residence, 8 room house and 3 lots, 2 blocks west of the court house. Ed Brown. Adv. 51-2t.

For Sale—700 bushels of seed barley. Frank Hall, 5 miles north and half mile west of Voda at \$1.00 per bushel. Phone 611. 51-2t—Adv.

Will trade you a new suit of clothes for one ton of old iron delivered and will pay you 35 cents per hundred for your country mixed iron delivered. J. F. Gunkel, for the Rummage Auction Co. adv 51tf

War means more bullets and munitions of war. Bring in your old iron and trade it for clothing, furniture, tools or rugs or get 35 cents a hundred for it until peace is declared. J. F. Gunkel, at the Rummage Auction Co's store in the Wilson building. adv 51tf

Dr. M. J. Brown of Salina

Should you or your child need medical or surgical treatment of the eye, ear, nose and throat, or require glasses, or artificial work, make a date with Dr. M. J. Brown, (Campbell building) Salina, Kansas, or see him at the Penny Hotel, on Monday, March 5th; Ellis, March 7th, 1917. Adv.

Stockholder's Meeting

The annual meeting of the stockholders of The Trego County Co-Operative Association will be held at the court house in Wa-Keeney, at 1 o'clock sharp, on Monday afternoon, February 26, 1917. All stockholders are urged to be present.

W. C. P. Rhoades,
Secretary.

Advance Exhibit of New SPRING STYLES FOR WOMEN & MISSES

Unable to resist showing them, and letting you share in the enjoyment of comparison—we will have on display a truly representative assortment of new Spring Styles in Suits, Coats, Dresses, Trimmed Hats and untrimmed Hats, that you should not fail to see.

Our First Idea was to delay this opportunity until the day of our Formal Opening, but there are so many beautiful styles for you to consider this season, that we decided upon this advanced display. If you have the least desire to familiarize yourself with the forthcoming season's most striking style creations—make it a point to be here

MONDAY, MARCH 5th

Caron's LADIES
OUTFITTERS

WAKEENEY, KANSAS.
THE NEW KLINE BUILDING